

Taft School District 90 Request for Waiver of the Rules

FCC Form 471 No. 994711

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Appendix A

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Funding Year 2013

Letter of Agency



TAFT SCHOOL DISTRICT 90

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October 22, 2012

Mr. Gerard F. Zeller
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Re: Letter of Agency For Funding Year 2013 (July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014)

Dear Mr. Zeller:


We hereby authorize **Zeller and Associates** to submit FCC Form 470, FCC Form 471, and other E-rate forms to the Schools and Libraries Division of the Universal Service Administrative Company on behalf of **Taft School District No. 90**. We further authorize **Zeller and Associates** to discuss the terms and conditions of services that may or may not be eligible for Universal Service Fund discounts with the providers of those services and with the Universal Service Administrative Company and its Schools and Libraries Division.

We understand that, in submitting these forms on the District's behalf, Zeller and Associates is making certifications for **Taft School District No. 90**. By signing this Letter of Agency, I make the following certifications:

- (a) We certify that **the schools in our district** are all schools under the statutory definitions of elementary and secondary schools found in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. §§ 7801(18) and (38), that they do not operate as for-profit businesses and do not have endowments exceeding \$50 million.
- (b) We certify that **Taft School District No. 90** has secured access, separately or through this program, to all of the resources, including computers, training, software, internal connections, maintenance, and electrical capacity, necessary to use the services purchased effectively. We recognize that some of the aforementioned resources are not eligible for support. We certify that the District we represent has secured access to all of the resources to pay the non-discounted charges for eligible services from funds to which access has been secured in the current funding year.
- (c) We certify that, if required by Federal Communications Commission rules, **Taft School District No. 90** is covered by a technology plan that is written, that covers all 12 months of the funding year, and that has been or will be approved by a state or other authorized body prior to the commencement of service. The plan is a District level plan written for using the services requested in this application.

- (d) We certify that the services the district purchases at discounts provided by 47 U.S.C. § 254 will be used primarily for educational purposes and will not be sold, resold, or transferred in consideration for money or any other thing of value, except as permitted by the rules of the Federal Communications Commission (Commission or FCC) at 47 C.F.R. § 54.500(et seq.).
- (e) We certify that **Taft School District No. 90** has complied with all program rules and we acknowledge that failure to do so may result in denial of discount funding and/or cancellation of funding commitments. We acknowledge that failure to comply with program rules could result in civil or criminal prosecution by the appropriate law enforcement authorities.
- (f) We acknowledge that the discount level used for shared services is conditional, for future years, upon ensuring that the most disadvantaged schools and libraries that are treated as sharing in the service, receive an appropriate share of benefits from those services.
- (g) We certify that we will retain required documents for a period of at least five years after the last day of service delivered. We certify that we will retain all documents necessary to demonstrate compliance with the statute and Commission rules regarding the application for, receipt of, and delivery of services receiving schools and libraries discounts, and that if audited, we will make such records available to the Administrator. We acknowledge that we may be audited pursuant to participation in the schools and libraries program.
- (h) We certify that we are authorized to order telecommunications and other supported services for the eligible entities covered by this Letter of Agency. We certify that we are authorized to make this request on behalf of the eligible entities covered by this Letter of Agency, that we have examined this Letter, that all of the information on this Letter is true and correct to the best of our knowledge, that the entities that will be receiving discounted services under this Letter pursuant to this application have complied with the terms, conditions and purposes of the program, that no kickbacks were paid to anyone and that false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and civil violations of the False Claims Act.
- (i) We acknowledge that FCC rules provide that persons who have been convicted of criminal violations or held civilly liable for certain acts arising from their participation in the schools and libraries support mechanism are subject to suspension and debarment from the program. We will institute reasonable measures to be informed, and will notify USAC should we be informed or become aware that we or any of the entities, or any person associated in any way with our entity and/or the entities, is convicted of a criminal violation or held civilly liable for acts arising from their participation in the schools and libraries support mechanism.
- (j) We certify that any funding requests for internal connections services, except basic maintenance services, applied for in the resulting FCC Form 471 application are not in violation of the Commission requirement that eligible entities are not eligible for such support more than twice every five funding years beginning with Funding Year 2005 as required by the Commission's rules at 47 C.F.R. § 54.506(c).
- (k) We certify that, to the best of our knowledge, the non-discount portion of the costs for eligible services will not be paid by the service provider. We acknowledge that the provision, by the provider of a supported service, of free services or products unrelated to the supported service or product constitutes a rebate of some or all of the cost of the supported services.

- (l) We certify that we are authorized to sign this Letter of Agency and, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, all information provided to **Zeller and Associates** for E-rate submission is true.

Name of Entity:	<i>Taft School District No. 90</i>	Signature:	
		Name:	Dr. DJ Skogsberg
Date:	October 18, 2012	Title:	Superintendent